

NASCA Executive Committee Nomination

2014

Statement of Intent

I have been part of NASCA prior to its official naming of NASCA as our national identity way back in its early beginnings. NASC has always been my passion within the Health and Disability Sector for many years, having been responsible for starting, growing and continuing to manage the current Northland DHB's Older Peoples NASC since 1995.

I am currently the Service Manager of Health of Older People Services at Northland DHB and have been in a number of roles within the Health & Disability Sector over the past 25 years.

I have previously been a member of the Executive team back in 2003 and 2011. I was also a member of the sub group NASCNOG (NASC – National Operations Group) which was a team of NASCA members and MOH representatives. This of course was prior to devolution in October 2003. I have also been a member of the National Guidelines Group representing NASCA for the development of the National Guidelines for Assessment of Older People.

Why do I want to be elected again?

I can't seem to leave NASC alone! Having been moved about within my own DHB, I tend to always end up back here. I am particularly passionate about raising the profile of older peoples NASC at a local, regional and national level. I am continually frustrated at having mandated policies coming from the MOH that have been consulted on with Portfolio Managers only. I seriously want to pursue a national voice for older peoples NASC Managers and build relationships within the National Health Board arena. I am committed to NASCA being an association that is truly there to be a benefit to all members with a focus on assistance to NASC members in a practical way.